NEW NAMES AND NEW COMBINATIONS IN THE FLORA OF HISPANIOLA

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In revising the published Flora of Hispaniola (1981, 1989, 1994, 2000), I have found a need to make revisions in nomenclature of some taxa. Some names were antedated by previous publications, and this came to my attention when I was verifying publication dates through the W3TROPICOS (2003) database on the web page of the Missouri Botanical Garden.

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